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continued prosecution application of prior pending Application No. 09/138,735, filed August 24, 1998,

For (Title): TRYPANOSOMA CRUZI ANTIGEN, GENE ENCODING THEREFOR AND METHODS  
OF DETECTING AND TREATING CHAGAS DISEASE

(Amended Title): \_\_\_\_\_

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1.  Abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application.
2.  The filing fee is calculated below:

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| <b>INDEP CLAIMS</b>  | <b>6 - 3</b>   | <b>= 3</b>  |
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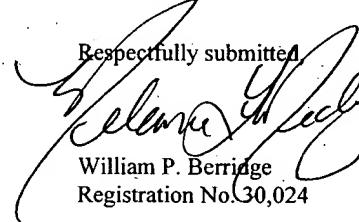
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4.  Cancel in this application claims 9, 29, 31, 33 and 35 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. At least one independent claim is retained for filing purposes.
5.  Please enter in the present application the Amendment Under 37 CFR §1.116 with any attachments filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in said prior application, which was not entered therein.
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8.  A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. Claims added by this Amendment are properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered claim in the prior application.
9.  An Information Disclosure Statement is attached.
10.  Small entity status:
  - a. Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.
  - b. Small entity status is no longer claimed.
11.  Other: \_\_\_\_\_
12.  This application is NOT to be published under 35 U.S.C. 112(b). The undersigned attorney or agent hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not been and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.
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